## **CALTRANS COMMUTER ALERT**



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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## **DETOURS CHANGE FOR INTERSTATE 40**

**Ludlow to Needles** – Caltrans has discovered damage to six bridges on Interstate 40. To protect the safety of the traveling public, the outside lane in both directions remains closed until further notice. Intermittent lane closures at the bridges will take place within a 17-mile stretch on I-40 from east of Kelbaker Rd. to west of Essex Rd. One lane in each direction will remain open to traffic.

Consider using alternate routes to Arizona and the Colorado River area.

## **Detour routes to Arizona/Nevada:**

- ➤ I-10 east to SR-62 east to US-95 north to I-40
- ➤ I-10 east to SR-177 north to SR-62 east to US-95 north to I-40
- ➤ I-15 north to Nevada

Motorists using these detour routes should be aware of a construction project that has begun on US95. Delays are expected from the US-95 / SR-62 junction south to Blythe.

Prepare for your trip across the desert. <u>BRING WATER</u>, medications, snacks, and make sure your car is in good running condition. If you choose to drive on I-40 allow extra time for your trip and drive with caution in the construction area. <u>Reduce your speed before the closure and merge early.</u>

For more information please call our Public Affairs Office at (866) 383-4631 or go to our website at www.dot.ca.gov/dist8.

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